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Since s takes the values 1 to n , we may write

$$y = \sum_{s=1}^n e^{i s \theta} = 1 + e^{i \theta} + \dots + e^{i n \theta}$$

This, being a geometrical series,

$$= \frac{e^{i(n+1)\theta} - 1}{e^{i\theta} - 1}, \text{ or taking out a factor } \frac{e^{i\frac{n+1}{2}\theta}}{e^{i\frac{\theta}{2}}}$$

$$= \frac{e^{i\frac{n+1}{2}\theta} (e^{i\frac{\theta}{2}} - e^{-i\frac{\theta}{2}})}{e^{i\frac{\theta}{2}} (e^{i\frac{\theta}{2}} - e^{-i\frac{\theta}{2}})}$$

and, as only the modulus enters the expression for I , and as, also, the modulus of e to any power is 1 ,

$$= \frac{e^{i\frac{n+1}{2}\theta} - e^{-i\frac{n+1}{2}\theta}}{e^{i\frac{\theta}{2}} - e^{-i\frac{\theta}{2}}}$$

or, expressed trigonometrically,

$$y = \frac{\sin^2 \frac{n+1}{2} \theta}{\sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}}$$

$$= \frac{\sin^2 n u}{\sin^2 u}, \text{ where } u = \frac{\theta}{2}, \quad p = \frac{n+1}{2}$$

$$I = \frac{\omega^2 b^2}{f^2 \lambda^2} \frac{\sin^2 \frac{\pi a_1}{f \lambda}}{\left(\frac{\pi a_1}{f \lambda} \right)^2} \int_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\sin^2 \frac{\pi b}{f \lambda} \eta}{\left(\frac{\pi b}{f \lambda} \right)^2} d\eta$$

Multiply and divide by a factor $\frac{\pi b}{f \lambda}$, and we have

$$= \frac{\omega^2 b^2}{f^2 \lambda^2} \frac{\sin^2 \frac{\pi a_1}{f \lambda}}{\left(\frac{\pi a_1}{f \lambda} \right)^2} \int_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\sin^2 x}{x^2} dx; \text{ where } x = \frac{\pi b}{f \lambda} \eta$$

$$\left(\text{but } \int_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\sin^2 x}{x^2} dx = \frac{\pi}{2} \right); \text{ so, finally}$$

$$I = \frac{\omega^2 b^2}{f^2 \lambda^2} \frac{\sin^2 \frac{\pi a_1}{f \lambda}}{\left(\frac{\pi a_1}{f \lambda} \right)^2} \left(\frac{\pi}{2} \right)$$

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Introductory Memorandum

January 21, 2010

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TO: Distribution

FROM: 115/Chief, Performance and Work-Life Dynamics Office

SUBJECT: 2010 Semi-Annual Awards Solicitation – Nominations Due
Monday, March 1, 2010

The Awards Office is providing its semi-annual solicitation for awards available between January–June 2010. This approach provides a strategic review of the full suite of award options available to employees for the first half of the year. A second solicitation will be issued in May for awards available from July–December 2010. A preview of those awards is included at the back of this call book.

This solicitation includes the Robert H. Goddard Awards, which recognize excellence in individual or team contributions that were significant for accomplishing goals and objectives of an extraordinary level. These awards include occupational expertise, excelling at Goddard objectives, as well as exhibiting Center values such as Outreach, Diversity, and Customer Service.

In addition, there are many Agency and external awards for which individual Goddard employees and teams may be nominated. I strongly encourage you to review them carefully and identify where employees and project teams may be considered. In some cases, the nominations you have prepared for a Robert H. Goddard award may also be submitted for an external award category with some modifications. Please pay close attention to the specific external award submission requirements as some require Center or Agency endorsement.

As in the past, please consider how our diverse workforce and contributions make Goddard a great place to work. Outstanding accomplishments at all levels and in all areas of the Center's mission are worthy of recognition. The various award categories provide opportunities to recognize outstanding achievements and significant, sustained performance across all grade levels, and skill groups (secretarial and clerical, wagegrade, scientists, engineers, technicians, and professional administrative). Goddard's grassroots nomination process continues to be a unique aspect of the Center's recognition program. Therefore, when submitting nominations, please consider accomplishments you, your peers, and/or supervisors and managers have made that contribute to Center and/or Agency mission success.

We have enclosed a consolidated listing of award categories for which you may submit nominations. It is also available electronically on the OHCM Web site at: <http://ohcm.gsfc.nasa.gov> under "Hot Topics." **With the exception of those noted, all nominations listed in this booklet are due to the Awards Office by close of business Monday, March 1, 2010.**

To help facilitate our streamlined nomination process, please submit nominations electronically to awards@listserv.gsfc.nasa.gov unless otherwise specified. To access the award nomination forms, please visit the OHCM Web site at <http://ohcm.gsfc.nasa.gov/awards/home.htm>.

We hope this consolidated resource will serve as an integral tool to support and facilitate sustaining a performance-based culture here at Goddard through recognition of outstanding employee and organizational performance.

Questions regarding the submission of nominations may be directed to Ms. Jackie Lawrence at 301-286-4574. Please contact Ms. Lori Moore, the GSFC Awards Officer, at 301-286-5087 for inquiries concerning Goddard's Recognition Program.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Arletta R. Love". The script is cursive and fluid, with the first name being the most prominent.

Arletta R. Love

Enclosure

Writing Quality Nominations

WHAT MAKES A “QUALITY” NOMINATION?

The key to a well-written nomination is providing the readers/evaluators with specific information illustrating how the individual's or group's achievements have had a positive impact on the organization's business or mission goals.

The number of examples is not as important as ensuring that the nominee's contributions match the award criteria. Keep in mind that the readers/evaluators are looking for specific challenges, actions, and results.

PREPARATION AND REVIEW

When preparing your nomination:

- Fully read the description and criteria for each category in order to address as many of the award criteria as possible.
- Organize your thoughts carefully. It takes time and research to write a quality nomination.
- If uncertain about the criteria being used for an award, don't hesitate to contact the designated point of contact or Awards Office for clarification.
- Solicit supplemental information from colleagues to strengthen the nomination if necessary.

When writing your nomination:

- Begin with a brief summary of the individual's/ team's experience. Address the following in your write-up:
 - What the individual/team is being nominated for (i.e. give some context to their challenge);
 - How the individual/team achieved their challenge; and
 - What measurable outcomes resulted from the individual's/team's achievement.
- Include accomplishments within the last 24 months.
- Be specific. Address as many of the criteria as possible with one or more examples of accomplishments that clearly demonstrate the particular award criteria.
- Clearly state whether the contribution for an activity has been completed or if it is still under development. If still under development, identify major milestones completed and the impact to the overall outcome.

Remember, it's not the length of the nomination, it's the quality.

Note: For external awards, the Center offers a level of support to assist in the strengthening of nominations, even if center endorsements are not required. Please contact the Awards Office to coordinate such efforts.

Robert H. Goddard Awards

ROBERT H. GODDARD AWARDS

DESCRIPTION

Robert H. Goddard awards recognize the exceptional achievements of individuals and teams.

Awards for Individuals and Teams:

- Science
- Engineering
- Technicians and Wage Grades
- Professional Administrative
- Secretarial/Clerical
- Mentoring
- Diversity and Equal Employment Opportunity
- Outreach
- Customer Service
- Safety
- Quality and Process Improvement

Awards for Individuals:

- Leadership Award
- Management Award
- Robert C. Baumann Award for Mission Success
- Robert H. Goddard Award of Merit

CRITERIA

- (1) Accomplishments are of an extraordinary level (i.e. above job expectations as demonstrated by its significance, creativity, or uniqueness; and exceptional performance sustained over a significant period of time); and
- (2) Contributions significantly impact the achievements of the Center's scientific, technical, and institutional capabilities and enhance mission performance.

ELIGIBILITY

See the following pages for eligibility requirements for each award category.

NOMINATIONS DUE

March 1, 2010 (Note: Final updates to team lists are due on May 17, 2010.)

Link to nomination form: <http://ohcm.gsfc.nasa.gov/Forms/OhrRHGNominationForm.doc>

Submit electronically via: awards@listserv.gsfc.nasa.gov. (**Note:** For efficiency in file transmission, submit no more than 2 nominations per email.)

CEREMONY DATE:

September 2010

CONTACT: GSFC Awards Office, 301-286-4574

ROBERT H. GODDARD AWARDS

1. Science

CRITERIA

Demonstrated excellence in enabling the Nation's scientific discovery by:

- Sharing the Center's unique capabilities;
- Providing customer-centered leadership; and/or,
- Engaging in activities that demonstrate Goddard's unique role as a Federal laboratory, which resulted in significant discoveries such as one or more of the following: patents, peer-reviewed publications, hardware development.

ELIGIBILITY

Goddard Civil Servants, Contractors, and Partners; Individuals and Teams

2. Engineering

CRITERIA

Demonstrated excellence in enabling the Nation's technology by:

- Sharing the Center's unique capabilities;
- Providing customer-centered leadership; and/or,
- Engaging in activities that demonstrate Goddard's unique role as a Federal laboratory, which resulted in significant technological breakthroughs such as one or more of the following: design or development of a product or system, and/or innovative engineering solutions to technological problems.

ELIGIBILITY

Goddard Civil Servants, Contractors, and Partners; Individuals and Teams

3. Technicians and Wage Grades

CRITERIA

Significant contributions in supporting engineering and technological endeavors that resulted in significant breakthroughs related to:

- Designing or developing a product or system;
- Creating innovative engineering solutions to technological problems;
- Saving time or resources, increasing safety, or improving a work environment; and/or,
- Significant contributions which maintained and/or upgraded the Center's institutional capabilities, including:
 - Enhancing reliability and performance of Center facilities or services; and
 - Demonstrating measurable improvements in productivity that provided cost, time or resource savings, increased safety, or an improved work environment.

ELIGIBILITY

Goddard Civil Servants, Contractors, and Partners; Individuals and Teams

4. Professional Administrative

CRITERIA

Demonstrated excellence in analysis, creativity, and expert application of a theoretical or regulatory body of information in the administrative, business, and/or human capital field, which facilitated the accomplishment of the Center's mission, as evidenced by:

- Significant contributions in developing strategies, implementing solutions, and providing advice on complex administrative, business, and/or human capital-related matters;
- Providing analysis and expert application of a theoretical or regulatory body of information; and/or,
- Partnering effectively with others (e.g., engineers, scientists, other business personnel) in support of mission accomplishment.

ELIGIBILITY

Goddard Civil Servants, Contractors, and Partners; Individuals and Teams

5. Secretarial/Clerical

CRITERIA

Exceptional support of their organization, warranting special recognition, by exhibiting many of the following skills and behaviors:

- Demonstrates flexibility. Creatively and independently solves problems and challenges, such as recognizing an opportunity, initiating improvements, and/or implementing solutions;
- Displays excellent teamwork, organizational, and collaborative skills in support of the organization's mission;
- Demonstrates reliability, coupled with delivering high-quality products on a timely basis; "Can do," customer-focused attitude coupled with tact and diplomacy; and/or,
- A recognized "subject matter expert" who follows through on commitments and readily and effectively shares their great depth and breadth of knowledge so that others know they can count on them.

ELIGIBILITY

Goddard Civil Servants, Individuals, and Teams

6. Mentoring

CRITERIA

- Demonstrates excellence in mentoring through active and effective coaching, which contributes to the personal and professional development of one or more Goddard employees, in support of Goddard programs or modeling the Center's values; sponsors and provides the employee with a new experience;
- Effectively transfers personal knowledge, meaningful advice, insight, and experiences; and/or,
- Demonstrates insight into unique mentoring needs.

ELIGIBILITY

Goddard Civil Servants, Individuals, and Teams

7. Diversity and Equal Employment Opportunity

CRITERIA

Outstanding contributions to the inclusion and utilization of the Center's workforce to better achieve the Center's mission or goals identified in the Center's Diversity Plan. This is evidenced through significant contributions in Diversity and/or Equal Opportunity:

- Diversity. Accomplishments that—through the inclusion, utilization, and participation of the Center's diverse workforce—enabled the Center to better perform its mission through teamwork, respect, diversity, and innovation.
- Equal Opportunity. Outstanding accomplishments whose scope and impact further the Center's affirmative employment and workforce representation goals.

ELIGIBILITY

Goddard Civil Servants, Contractors, and Partners; Individuals and Teams

8. Outreach

CRITERIA

Significant contributions in:

- Providing innovative products, science, technology, and services to the public, educational institutions, or others who are potential beneficiaries of the expansion of knowledge resulting from NASA/GSFC's mission;
- Developing and/or expanding opportunities that resulted in the increased involvement of universities, industries, and others in the performance of NASA/GSFC's mission activities; and/or,
- Increasing the participation of socially- or economically-disadvantaged businesses or minority educational institutions.

ELIGIBILITY

Goddard Civil Servants, Contractors, and Partners; Individuals and Teams

9. Customer Service

DESCRIPTION

To recognize individuals who promote or provide sustained, superior products or services to internal and external customers.

CRITERIA

Accomplishments include delivering superior services or products to internal and/or external customers. These accomplishments are of an extraordinary level and the individual's/team's contributions were significant to the achievement of goals and objectives as evidenced through one or more of the following:

- Demonstrating an understanding of the customer's goals and objectives by forming a partnership with the customer which resulted in products and services that would best meet the customer's needs and exceed the customer's expectations;
- Demonstrating excellence in performance and significance of contributions relative to the requirements of an individual's position or the team's charter; and/or,
- Proactively identifying ways to surprise and delight the customer by improving the timeliness, quality, and/or the cost of products and services delivered. Maintaining customer relations, which included effective communications and a flexible, proactive approach to problem solving.

ELIGIBILITY

Goddard Civil Servants, Contractors, and Partners; Individuals and Teams

10. Safety

DESCRIPTION

To recognize individuals and groups whose actions, in an emergency, protected employees from injury or life threatening situations or whose actions preserved life.

CRITERIA

Demonstrated evidence of safety contributions that:

- Significantly impacted or enhanced the Center's implementation of the NASA mission;
- Mitigated or controlled safety risks to personnel, facilities, equipment, and operations;
- Demonstrated selfless commitment to protecting and preserving human life while maintaining personal safety and the safety of others; and/or
- In an emergency, protected employees from injury or life-threatening situations or acted to preserve life.

ELIGIBILITY

Goddard Civil Servants, Contractors, and Partners; Individuals and Teams

11. Quality and Process Improvement

DESCRIPTION

To recognize individuals and teams whose contributions enhance the Center's business and work processes and improves the quality of products and services.

CRITERIA

Demonstrated excellence in:

- Initiative, innovation, and scope of improvements on the quality of products and services provided; or
- Achievements that reduced waste or misuse of Government resources. Scope and impact are relative to the process being improved.

ELIGIBILITY

Goddard Civil Servants, Contractors, and Partners; Individuals and Teams

12. Leadership

DESCRIPTION

To recognize individuals in all career fields whose vision and initiative motivate others to create a new and powerful organizational future consistent with organizational goals, strategies, and values.

CRITERIA

One or more of the following manifests exceptional leadership performance:

- Demonstrating and encouraging open and effective communication;
- Creating and sustaining an environment of trust, e.g., holding themselves and others accountable for keeping commitments;
- Possessing a vision for themselves and the organization that positively captures and enrolls the passion and expertise of others;
- Exhibiting moral courage, e.g., makes decisions that are unpopular or involve some personal risk, despite resistance, to ensure mission success; admit mistakes; discusses ethical consequences of decisions; coordinates effective action in resolving organizational challenges;
- Influencing and coaching others to create high-performing partnerships, alliances, and teams; and/or,
- Creating an inspired work environment that fosters innovation, appreciation, and creativity.

ELIGIBILITY

Goddard Civil Servants; Individuals

13. Management

DESCRIPTION

To recognize managers, supervisors, and organizational team leaders who, while providing day-to-day direction to work units, demonstrated exceptional levels of achievement which created a positive and productive work environment for their employees through their management behavior, style, and approach.

CRITERIA

One or more of the following demonstrates exceptional management performance:

- Specific recent accomplishments or increased organizational productivity as evidenced by efforts to listen to and understand the customer/stakeholders, anticipating their needs, and exceeding customer expectations;
- A high level of employee satisfaction, organizational teamwork, and a positive work environment, as evidenced by feedback from subordinates/team members, peers, and supervisors;
- Developing organizational talent by working with employees to achieve their personal growth, enhance their job satisfaction, and maximize their potential while contributing to overall organizational effectiveness and success;
- Visibly demonstrating their commitment to, and support of, equal opportunity and diversity;
- Creating and sustaining an environment that enabled open, honest, and effective communications; and/or,
- Granting subordinates responsibility and accountability that enabled their personal development, while ensuring excellence and high-quality results

ELIGIBILITY

Goddard Civil Servants Individual Award to Managers, Supervisors, and Team Leaders only

14. Robert C. Baumann Award for Mission Success (Honorary Award)

DESCRIPTION

To recognize the Goddard employee who has made the most significant contribution towards meeting the Center's goals for the success of a GSFC space flight mission(s). This award may be for career achievement or a specific act of exceptional merit that was completed in the previous year and encompasses work in all disciplines, including administration, procurement, engineering, science, and management.

CRITERIA

Provide evidence of an outstanding contribution to the safety and reliability of Goddard's mission, projects, and activities.

ELIGIBILITY

Goddard Civil Servant Individuals

15. Robert H. Goddard Award of Merit (Honorary Award)

DESCRIPTION

To recognize individuals in all career fields whose careers and accomplishments demonstrate the highest qualities of achievement and professionalism in the employee's chosen field. Normally this award is reserved for those with 20 or more years of Federal service or work experience. This is the highest individual award that Goddard bestows.

CRITERIA

An employee whose career exemplifies the Center's values and goals; and the employee has made extensive, prolonged, and significant mission contributions within his/her career field.

ELIGIBILITY

Goddard Civil Servant Individuals

Colloquium and Memorial Awards

COLLOQUIUM AND MEMORIAL AWARDS

Excellence in Information Science and Technology Award

DESCRIPTION

This annual award is presented to a Goddard employee who best exhibits broad accomplishments in the area of Information Science and Technology (IS&T). This award may be for career achievement or a specific contribution to the field of IS&T that was completed in the previous year. This award will be presented during an IS&T Colloquium. Also see: <http://isandtcolloq.gsfc.nasa.gov/about.html>

CRITERIA

All Goddard employees are invited to submit nominations, and there is no limit to the number of nominations that may be submitted. While brevity is desirable, the text of the nomination should clearly describe the nominee's accomplishment(s) and its significance. Nominations should be accompanied by supporting documentation you feel would be relevant. Supplemental documentation may be submitted via hard copy to the Awards Office, Code 115, Building 1, Room 139. There is a possibility that you may be contacted by an IS&T committee member for additional information.

ELIGIBILITY

All Goddard civil servants are eligible to receive this award.

NOMINATIONS DUE

March 1, 2010

Link to nomination form: [http://ohcm.gsfc.nasa.gov/Forms/Ohr/IS&T
Nomination.doc](http://ohcm.gsfc.nasa.gov/Forms/Ohr/IS&T%20Nomination.doc)

Submit electronically via: awards@listserv.gsfc.nasa.gov

CEREMONY

May 2010

COLLOQUIUM AND MEMORIAL AWARDS

John C. Lindsay Memorial Award for Space Science

DESCRIPTION

This award commemorates the launch of the first Orbiting Solar Observatory on March 7, 1962, one of Dr. Lindsay's greatest achievements. This award is one of the Center's highest forms of recognition for a scientific contribution and will be presented during the annual John C. Lindsay Memorial lecture.

CRITERIA

This annual award is presented to a Goddard employee for an outstanding contribution to space science or technology. The contribution may be a professional paper, a research project, or any other achievement in the space science area that reached its full maturity during 2009.

All Goddard employees are invited to submit nominations. There is no limit on the number of nominations that may be submitted. While brevity is desirable, the text of the nomination should clearly describe the nominee's accomplishment and its significance.

Please include the following:

- A list of all refereed papers and publications;
- A copy of the most important publication(s) that support(s) the nomination;
- Three letters of endorsement; and
- A curriculum vitae

Supplemental documentation may be submitted via hard copy to the Awards Office, Code 115, Building 1, Room 139. There is also the possibility that you will be contacted by a committee member for additional information.

ELIGIBILITY

All Goddard civil service employees are eligible for the Lindsay Award regardless of their occupation or the organization in which they serve.

NOMINATIONS DUE

March 1, 2010

Link to nomination form: <http://ohcm.gsfc.nasa.gov/Forms/Ohr/Lindsay.doc>

Submit electronically via: awards@listserv.gsfc.nasa.gov

CEREMONY

May 2010

COLLOQUIUM AND MEMORIAL AWARDS

Moe I. Schneebaum Memorial Award for Engineering

DESCRIPTION

This award was created in memory of Moe I. Schneebaum's far-reaching contributions to space technology and to the Goddard Space Flight Center. This award is the Center's highest recognition for an engineering contribution and will be presented during the annual Moe I. Schneebaum lecture.

Also see: <http://ecolloq.gsfc.nasa.gov/schneebaum.html>

CRITERIA

This award is given for an outstanding personal contribution toward advancing and extending the technology of space flight. The contribution may be for a single or continuing significant engineering achievement or for a recent professional paper or a research paper. There is no limit on the number of nominations that may be submitted. While brevity is desirable, the text of the nomination should clearly describe the nominee's accomplishment and its significance.

Please include the following:

- A list of all referred papers and publications;
- A copy of the most important publication(s) that support(s) the nomination;
- Three letters of endorsement; and
- A curriculum vitae

Supplemental documentation may be submitted via hard copy to Code 115, Building 1, Room 139. There is also the possibility that the nominator will be contacted by a committee member for additional information.

ELIGIBILITY

All Goddard civil service employees are eligible for the award regardless of occupation or organization in which they serve.

NOMINATIONS DUE

March 1, 2010

Link to nomination form: <http://ohcm.gsfc.nasa.gov/Forms/Ohr/Schneebaum.doc>

Submit electronically via: awards@listserv.gsfc.nasa.gov

CEREMONY

May 2010

Agency Sponsored Awards

AGENCY SPONSORED AWARDS

DESCRIPTION

NASA sponsors a vast array of Agency awards honoring individuals and groups of individuals, both Government and non-Government, who have made outstanding contributions to the Agency's mission. These awards are generally announced through annual Agency call letters and include varying forms of recognition (i.e. cash, trophy, plaque and/or certificate).

For a full suite of applicable awards sponsored by NASA, see the matrix immediately following this page.

This section also delineates some Agency sponsored awards for which award calls are currently open or will open/close prior to June 2010 and includes **CRITERIA**, **ELIGIBILITY**, **NOMINATION DUE DATE** and **CONTACT** information.

SUBMISSION PROCESS:

Nominations must be coordinated through the cognizant Award Liaison as identified. Center endorsement for Agency consideration is required.

NOTE:

For informational purposes, and in accordance with NPR 3451.1B, NASA Awards and Recognition Program, a courtesy copy (hardcopy) of all nominations should be provided to the GSFC Awards Office (Code 115, Building 1, Room 139).

AGENCY SPONSORED AWARDS

Agency Sponsored Awards Information			
Award Program	Purpose	Applicability	Responsible Office
George M. Low Award NASA's Quality and Excellence Award	Recognizes NASA's prime and subcontractors for outstanding performance in the categories of large and small business, product, and service organizations. Link: www.hg.nasa.gov/office/codeq/gml/i/index.htm	All NASA Mission Directorates and Centers nominate select contractors to be evaluated for the Award	Office of Safety and Mission Assurance via an annual call
Blue Marble Award	Recognizes individuals and groups in three categories: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - NASA Environmental Quality Award for programs, projects, or processes. - The NASA Excellence in Energy and Water Management Award recognizes initiatives in energy efficiency, water conservation, or renewable energy use. - NASA's Director's Environmental & Energy Award recognizes exceptional leadership or professionalism in implementing NASA's mission and vision while understanding and protecting the home planet. Link: http://nets.grc.nasa.gov/bluemarble.htm	All NASA Centers	Office of Institutions and Management, Environmental Management Division via a biannual call
Awards for Scientific and Technical Contributions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Inventor of the Year - Software of the Year - Board Awards 	Provides monetary recognition for scientific and technical inventions and contributions to NASA that have significant value in the conduct of aeronautical and space activities (applies whether or not patentable). Link: http://nen.nasa.gov/portal/site/llis/oce/icb	All NASA Centers	NASA Inventions and Contributions Board via 14 CFR 1240.1
Space Flight Awareness (SFA) Employee Motivation and Recognition Program	Recognizes exemplary performance and significant achievements leading to safe, cost-effective program modifications that increase reliability, efficiency, and performance to ensure mission success and human safety. Link: http://sfa.jsc.nasa.gov/index.cfm	All NASA Centers, supporting Government agencies, private industry, and international	Space Operations Mission Directorate via an annual call
Acquisition Improvement Awards.	Rewards NASA individuals and groups for creating and implementing improved results on individual contracts, or innovative changes in contracting processes that save resources and enhance mission attainment. For information call 202-358-4801.	All NASA Centers	Office of Procurement via NPD 3451.5

AGENCY SPONSORED AWARDS

Agency Sponsored Awards Information			
Award Program	Purpose	Applicability	Responsible Office
NASA Financial Management Award.	Recognizes innovative and effective financial management techniques, procedures, and policies that aid in the improvement of Government-wide financial management functions. For information call 202-358-2369.	All NASA Centers, with the exception of HQ Office of the Chief Financial Officer employees.	Office of the Chief Financial Officer via an annual call
NASA Small Business Advocates Awards	Recognizes four categories of outstanding contributions to NASA's achievements in small business programs. Link: http://osbp.nasa.gov/award.html	All NASA Centers	Office of Small Business Programs via an annual call
Quality and Safety Achievement Recognition Award	Recognizes Government and contractor employees at NASA who have displayed or exhibited exemplary performance in contributing to quality products and services in safety and mission assurance-related activities. Link: www.hq.nasa.gov/office/codeq/gml/index.htm	All NASA Centers	Office of Safety and Mission Assurance via an annual call

AGENCY SPONSORED AWARDS

George M. Low Award

DESCRIPTION

Established in 1985 as the Excellence Award for Quality and Productivity, this award was renamed in 1990 in memory of George M. Low, an outstanding NASA leader who contributed greatly during his 27-year tenure. He was the Deputy Administrator from 1969–1976 and a leader in the early development of NASA's space programs. His career and achievements spanned many fields: space science, aeronautics, technology, and education. In the space program, he provided management and direction for the Mercury, Gemini, Apollo, and advanced manned missions programs.

This award demonstrates the Agency's commitment to promote excellence and continual improvement by challenging NASA's contractor community to be a global benchmark of quality management practices. Sponsored by the Office of Safety and Mission Assurance, this award is NASA's premier quality and productivity award recognizing NASA's prime- and subcontractors. Also see: <http://www.hq.nasa.gov/office/codeq/gml/index.htm>

CRITERIA:

A site team visits each nominee. Their validation process uses nine criteria:

1) performance, 2) cost, 3) schedule, 4) innovation, 5) management, 6) leadership, 7) alignment of organizational goals with NASA's strategic plans, 8) customer orientation, and 9) adherence to the Total Quality Management philosophy. Recipient companies are honored in a special ceremony during the NASA Continual Improvement and Reinvention Conference on Quality Management in each of four categories: 1) large business product, 2) large business service, 3) small business product, and 4) small business service.

ELIGIBILITY:

NASA Contractors (Large and small businesses that demonstrate excellence and outstanding technical and managerial achievements in quality and technical performance in NASA-related contracts or subcontracts.)

NOMINATIONS DUE:

June 2010

Contact: Bob LeBair at 301-286-2542, or via email at Robert.S.Lebair@nasa.gov

SUBMISSION PROCESS:

Nominations must be coordinated with Mr. LeBair. Center endorsement for Agency consideration is required. In accordance with NPR 3451.1B, NASA Awards and Recognition Program, send courtesy copies (hardcopy) of all nominations to the GSFC Awards Office (Code 115, Building 1, Room 139) for informational purposes.

AGENCY SPONSORED AWARDS

NASA Environment & Energy Blue Marble Awards

DESCRIPTION

The NASA Environment and Energy Award Program recognizes NASA civil service employees and contractor personnel who demonstrate environmental leadership while carrying out NASA's primary mission. These honorary, non-monetary awards are also referred to as the "Blue Marble" Awards. Also see: <http://nets.grc.nasa.gov/bluemarble.htm>.

CRITERIA

Nominations will be scored based on five factors that are weighed equally:

1. **Impact to Mission.** This includes cost savings reported and risk reduction resulting from the program or project being nominated.
2. **Scope of the Impact.** This factor considers if the program or project being nominated had/has a center-wide, national, or global reach.
3. **Scalability/Extensibility.** This factor considers if or how well the program or project being nominated can be applied or extended to future uses.
4. **Ingenuity/Creativity/Leadership.** This factor considers if the program or project is/was outside the scope of the normal job duties of the individual or team.
5. **Teamwork/Collaboration.** This factor considers the collaboration used by the individual or group to complete the program or project being nominated.

ELIGIBILITY

NASA civil service employees are eligible for individual and group awards. Any NASA group, such as a Center or Component Facility, Division, or team, is eligible for group awards. Contractors are eligible as members of a NASA group unless specifically excluded in the award criteria. Eligible individuals or groups may be nominated in more than one award category.

NOMINATIONS DUE

January 27, 2010

Contact: Darlene Squibb at 301-286-6137 or via email at Darlene.E.Squibb@nasa.gov

SUBMISSION PROCESS:

Nominations must be coordinated with Ms. Squibb. Center endorsement for Agency consideration required. In accordance with NPR 3451.1B, NASA Awards and Recognition Program, send courtesy copies (hardcopy) of all nominations to the GSFC Awards Office (Code 115, Building 1, Room 139) for informational purposes.

AGENCY SPONSORED AWARDS

NASA Software of the Year Award

DESCRIPTION

An annual award given by the NASA Inventions and Contributions Board (ICB) for NASA-developed software that has significantly enhanced the Agency's performance of its mission and helped American industry maintain its world-class technology status. The ICB makes awards up to \$100,000. Recognized winners are honored at a Headquarters ceremony at which time each individual receives a plaque, an award check, and a certificate. Also see: <http://www.nasa.gov/offices/oce/icb/aeqchoice.html>

CRITERIA

Scientific and technical software must have:

- A. Been officially released by the project within the last 3 years. (Note: Software may only be considered officially released after all experimental phases have been successfully completed to the satisfaction of the customer);
- B. Received the ICB's initial software release award for the contribution prior to May 30 (Note: Validate this date with the point of contact);
- C. A current Technology Readiness Level (TRL) of 7 or higher;
- D. A NASA intellectual property interest;
- E. Been supported, adopted, sponsored, or used by NASA;
- F. Made a significant scientific or technical contribution to the NASA mission;
- G. A report from the local NASA Safety and Mission Assurance organization's software assurance personnel which provides information on the candidate's software, its release status, and the processes followed for its development and acceptance;
- H. Demonstrated compliance with NASA security procedures per NASA Policy Directive 2810, NASA Information Security Policy; and
- I. Demonstrated compliance to Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended 29 U.S.C. § 794 (d).

ELIGIBILITY

Open to authors of outstanding scientific and technical software. NASA Centers, NASA Facilities, major contractors, supporting universities, and small businesses may participate.

NOMINATIONS DUE

May 2010

Contact: Dale Hithon Clarke at 301-286-2691, or via email at Dale.L.Hithon@nasa.gov

SUBMISSION PROCESS

Nominations must be coordinated with Ms. Hithon Clarke. Center endorsement for Agency consideration is required. In accordance with NPR 3451.1B, NASA Awards and Recognition Program, send courtesy copies (hardcopy) of all nominations to the GSFC Awards Office (Code 115, Building 1, Room 139) for informational purposes.

SPACE FLIGHT AWARENESS PROGRAM AWARDS



DESCRIPTION

NASA's Space Flight Awareness (SFA) program has played an important role in human spaceflight safety for over 40 years, beginning with the Apollo Program. It has served as one of NASA's best incentives in recognizing exemplary achievements in quality, safety, and mission success. SFA has recognized the exceptional achievements of those who have made significant contributions to the Space Shuttle's safe return to flight and in sustaining the International Space Station and our expedition crews. SFA permeates NASA's human spaceflight program with a renewed and strengthened consciousness of the importance of teamwork, excellence, and diligence to flight safety.

Also see: <https://internal.gsfc.nasa.gov/web/services/sfa> or <http://sfa.jsc.nasa.gov/index.cfm>

See the following pages for the Silver Snoopy, Team, and Leadership award categories, as well as additional award specifics, Criteria and Eligibility requirements.

NOMINATIONS DUE

By 5 p.m. on March 1, 2010

Contact: Amy Pruett at 301-286-7646, or via email at Amy.E.Pruett@nasa.gov

SUBMISSION PROCESS

Nominations must be coordinated with Ms. Pruett. Center endorsement for Agency consideration is required. In accordance with NPR 3451.1B, NASA Awards and Recognition Program, send courtesy copies (hardcopy) of all nominations to the GSFC Awards Office (Code 115, Building 1, Room 139) for informational purposes.

AGENCY SPONSORED AWARDS

Silver Snoopy Award



DESCRIPTION

The Silver Snoopy Award is the astronauts' personal award and recognizes those who have made contributions toward enhancing the probability of mission success, or made improvements in design, administrative/technical/production techniques, business systems, flight and/or systems safety, or identification and correction or preventive action for errors. The honor includes the Silver Snoopy certificate, space-flown Silver Snoopy sterling silver pin, and astronaut's Letter of Commendation. Also see: <https://internal.gsfc.nasa.gov/web/services/sfa> or <http://sfa.jsc.nasa.gov/index.cfm>

CRITERIA

Employees must have significantly contributed to the human spaceflight program to ensure flight safety and mission success. Potential awardees must meet two or more of the following criteria:

- Significantly contributing beyond their normal work requirements;
- Performing a single specific achievement that contributed towards attaining a particular program goal;
- Contributing to one or more major cost saving/cost avoidance;
- Instrumental in developing program modifications that increase quality, reliability, safety, efficiency, and/or performance;
- Developing or assisting with an operational improvement that increases efficiency and performance;
- Developing a process improvement of significant magnitude.

Only one Silver Snoopy award for an individual is permitted.

ELIGIBILITY

Individuals. Except in rare cases, the Silver Snoopy award is not intended for management and supervisors at GS-14 and above, as well as equivalent levels within industry, which would be second level and above.

Note: The SFA program is a NASA-managed motivational program with invited representation from the Office of Space Flight Field Centers, other NASA Field Centers, and contractors having major responsibilities for human spaceflight mission success. This program meets the NASA requirement for contractors to participate in a NASA motivational program.

AGENCY SPONSORED AWARDS

Team Award



DESCRIPTION

This award recognizes groups who have demonstrated exemplary teamwork while accomplishing a particular task or goal in support of the human space program. This honor includes a Team Award certificate and recognition memento. Also see: <https://internal.gsfc.nasa.gov/web/services/sfa> or <http://sfa.jsc.nasa.gov/index.cfm>

CRITERIA

To be eligible for this award, the team must satisfy at least one of the following criteria:

- Contributed significantly beyond fundamental task accountabilities in support of NASA programs;
- Contributed, recommended, and/or implemented a means of improving the reliability, efficiency, accuracy, or safety of a particular human spaceflight program;
- Contributed to one or more major cost saving/cost avoidance.

ELIGIBILITY

Small groups of employees.

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AGENCY SPONSORED AWARDS

Leadership Award



DESCRIPTION

This award recognizes those who consistently demonstrate loyalty, empowerment, accountability, diversity, excellence, respect, sharing, honesty, and integrity, and are proactive. The honor includes the Leadership Award certificate and recognition memento. Also see: <http://sfa.jsc.nasa.gov/index.cfm>

CRITERIA

The SFA Leadership Award recognizes outstanding leaders who function in a mid-level management position or higher, have not previously received the award, and exemplify the following characteristics necessary for flight safety and mission success:

Loyalty—Demonstrates consistence, fairness, trust, and truthfulness in interpersonal relationships.

Empowerment—Provides the tools, authority, and trust that allow employees to do their job and fully employ their individual talents, creativity, and initiative.

Accountability—Sets continuous improvement goals and measure performance against them.

Diversity—Recognizes, understands, and appreciates that employees from different cultures and experiences view problems and opportunities differently.

Excellence—Performs in a superior manner. Continually looks for innovative ways to improve operations and produce outstanding results.

Respect—Displays professional esteem and courtesy to all employees, no matter how difficult the circumstances.

Sharing—Actively shares responsibility, authority, effort, enthusiasm, information, vision, talent, and credit.

Honesty—Maintains a fair, straightforward, honorable, and open environment.

Integrity—Sets the example by always dealing ethically in all business relationships and by maintaining the highest personal standards.

Proactive—Always takes prompt, decisive action to avoid or resolve problems. Pursues opportunities and actively seeks innovative technology and methods to enhance program objectives.

ELIGIBILITY

Mid-level managers.

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External Award Programs

EXTERNAL AWARD PROGRAMS

DESCRIPTION

External Awards are those awards generated by other Government agencies or private industry and made available to NASA.

This section delineates some externally-sponsored award programs for which award calls are currently open or will open/close prior to June 2010 and includes **CRITERIA**, **ELIGIBILITY**, **NOMINATION DUE DATE** and **CONTACT** information.

Awards captured include: science, engineering, technology, operations, policy, and non-discipline specific awards. Typical of the many organizations that give **awards for accomplishments in space-related efforts are:**

- The American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics;
- The American Astronautical Society; and
- The National Air and Space Museum.

WHERE ELSE CAN YOU FIND EXTERNAL AWARDS?

In conjunction with this awards call booklet, please also see the **NASA Shared Services Center (NSSC)** web link at: <http://aac.nssc.nasa.gov/index.cfm?event=monthView> for a calendar of external awards.

SUBMISSION PROCESS

Please carefully review the award submission procedures provided by the sponsoring organization. Some award nominations require review and endorsement only by the Center Director; some require Center Director endorsement as well as NASA Headquarters endorsement; some require submission by a member of the sponsoring organization (e.g. member of the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics); and others may be submitted directly by any NASA employee to the sponsoring organization. Each award outlined provides some insight into these requirements. (**Note:** For external awards, the Center offers a level of support to assist in the strengthening of nominations, even if center endorsements are not required. Please contact the Awards Office to coordinate such efforts.)

NOTE: For informational purposes, and in accordance with NPR 3451.1B, NASA Awards and Recognition Program, a courtesy copy (hardcopy) of all nominations should be provided to the GSFC Awards Office (Code 115, Building 1, Room 139).

EXTERNAL AWARD PROGRAMS

American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA) Awards

DESCRIPTION

AIAA awards are presented in aerospace science, engineering, technology, operations, and policy. **For individual award category descriptions, visit:**

<http://www.aiaa.org/content.cfm?pageid=290>

ELIGIBILITY

In general, a nominee does not require AIAA membership. For a full description of eligibility requirements for each award category, see:

<http://www.aiaa.org/content.cfm?pageid=194>

CRITERIA

A summary of the nominee's accomplishments and/or achievements that justifies the nomination must accompany the AIAA nomination form. The supporting material should not exceed ten (10) pages excluding the nomination form and reference letters. Extensive resumes are not suggested. Additional pages may be used to provide the nominee's professional record, education, publications, honors, service to AIAA, etc.

NOMINATIONS DUE

Nominations for the current call must be received by Monday, February 1, 2010.

Note: There are three nomination deadline cycles in the AIAA Honors & Awards Program: 1 February, 1 July and 1 October. However, nomination packages will be accepted on a daily basis and considered for the appropriate award year.

Contact: Carol Stewart at 703-264-7623, or via email at carols@aiaa.org

NOMINATION PROCESS

Any member of AIAA in good standing may nominate candidates. Contact the Awards Office at 301-286-4574 for information concerning AIAA members. In accordance with NPR 3451.1B, NASA Awards and Recognition Program, send courtesy copies (hardcopy) of all nominations to the GSFC Awards Office (Code 115, Building 1, Room 139) for informational purposes.

National Academy of Engineering Awards

DESCRIPTION

Each year the National Academy of Engineering (NAE) salutes leaders in engineering for their lifetime dedication to their field and their commitment to advancing the human condition through great engineering achievement and/or through innovation in engineering and technology education.

Also see: <http://www.nae.edu/Awards/NAECallforNominations8777.aspx>.

Below are some of the award categories.

- **Charles Stark Draper Prize** (NAE members and non-members are eligible.)
Recognized as one of the world's preeminent awards for engineering achievement, this prize honors an engineer whose accomplishment has significantly impacted society by improving the quality of life, providing the ability to live freely and comfortably, and/or permitting the access to information. The Draper Prize is awarded annually and recognizes achievements in all engineering disciplines.
- **Bernard M. Gordon Prize** for Innovation in Engineering and Technology Education (NAE members and non-members who are U.S. citizens or permanent residents of the U.S., and who currently are and have been substantially engaged in their engineering and scholastic work in institutions within the U.S. are eligible.)
To recognize new modalities and experiments in education that develop effective engineering leaders. The focus is on innovations such as curricular design, teaching methods, and technology-enabled learning that strengthen students' capabilities and desire to grow into leadership roles.
- **Founders Award** (NAE members and foreign associates only are eligible.)
This annual award honors an outstanding NAE member or foreign associate who has upheld the ideals and principles of the NAE through professional, educational, and personal achievement and accomplishment.
- **Arthur M. Bueche Award** (NAE members and non-members are eligible.)
The honor of this annual award is bestowed on an engineer who has shown dedication in science and technology, as well as active involvement in determining U.S. science and technology policy, promoting technological development, and contributing to the enhancement of the relationship between industries, government, and universities.

ELIGIBILITY

These awards are not awarded posthumously. There are no restrictions on who may nominate candidates, but self-nominated entries are not accepted.

NOMINATIONS DUE

April 1, 2010

Contact: Deborah Young at (202) 334-1266 or via email at dyoung@nae.edu

NOMINATION PROCESS

Nominations may be submitted directly by any individual to the sponsoring organization. In accordance with NPR 3451.1B, NASA Awards and Recognition Program, send courtesy copies (hardcopy) of all nominations to the GSFC Awards Office (Code 115, Building 1, Room 139) for informational purposes.

EXTERNAL AWARD PROGRAMS

National Science Foundation – National Medal of Science

DESCRIPTION

The National Medal of Science, as sponsored by the National Science Foundation (NSF), is given to individuals “deserving of special recognition by reason of their outstanding contributions to knowledge in the physical, biological, mathematical, or engineering sciences.” In 1980 Congress expanded this recognition to include the social and behavioral sciences. Also see:

http://www.nsf.gov/od/nms/nsf_nationalmedalofscience_callfornominations_090904.pdf

CRITERIA

- a. Principal criterion: the total impact of an individual’s work on the current state of chemical, physical, biological, social or behavioral sciences, mathematics, or engineering.
- b. Achievements of an unusually significant nature in relation to the potential effects on the development of scientific thought.
- c. Unusually distinguished service in the general advancement of science and engineering, especially when accompanied by substantial contributions to the content of science. Recognition by peers within the scientific community.
- d. Contributions to innovation and industry.
- e. Influence on education through publications, teaching activities, outreach, mentoring, etc.
- f. Must be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident who has applied for citizenship.

ELIGIBILITY

The nomination package must include three letters of reference. Visit the sponsoring organizations web site at: <http://www.nsf.gov/od/nms/nominations.jsp> for full nomination package procedures.

NOMINATIONS DUE

March 31, 2010

Contact: Mayra N. Montrose at 703-292-8040, or via email at: nms@nsf.gov

NOMINATION PROCESS

Nominations may be submitted directly by any individual to the sponsoring organization. In accordance with NPR 3451.1B, NASA Awards and Recognition Program, send courtesy copies (hardcopy) of all nominations to the GSFC Awards Office (Code 115, Building 1, Room 139) for informational purposes.

EXTERNAL AWARD PROGRAMS

Partnership for Public Service – Service to America Medals

DESCRIPTION

Service to America Medals are presented annually by the nonprofit, nonpartisan Partnership for Public Service to celebrate excellence in our Federal civil service. Also see: <http://servicetoamericamedals.org/SAM/program/medalcategories.shtml>.

Some of the Service to America Medal categories include:

- Federal Employee of the Year
- Call to Service
- Career Achievement
- Citizen Services
- Science and Environment

ELIGIBILITY

All Goddard civil servants are eligible for nomination to the Service to America Medals Program. Former Federal employees who separated from Government service after nominations open are still eligible during the current nomination cycle. All medal categories are open to both individual and team nominations.

CRITERIA

Three references are required per nomination and should include a current supervisor or higher-level official. Special eligibility criteria apply to select categories. Visit the website below for further details.

NOMINATIONS DUE

February 8, 2010

Contact: Jim Seymour at 202-775-2758, or email sammies@ourpublicservice.org
Link to nomination form: <http://www.servicetoamericamedals.org/SAM/nominations/>

NOMINATION PROCESS

Nominations may be submitted directly by any individual to the sponsoring organization. In accordance with NPR 3451.1B, NASA Awards and Recognition Program, send courtesy copies (hardcopy) of all nominations to the GSFC Awards Office (Code 115, Building 1, Room 139) for informational purposes.

EXTERNAL AWARD PROGRAMS

U.S. Geological Survey – William T. Pecora Award

DESCRIPTION

This award was established in 1974 in memory of Dr. William T. Pecora, former Director of the U.S. Geological Survey, and Under Secretary, Department of the Interior.

Dr. Pecora was a motivating force behind the establishment of a program for civil remote sensing of Earth from space. His early vision and support helped establish what we know today as the Landsat satellite program. The Secretary of the Interior and the NASA Administrator or their representatives present the award to the recipient.

Also see: <http://remotesensing.usgs.gov/PECORA.php>.

The William T. Pecora Award is presented annually to individuals or groups who make outstanding contributions toward understanding Earth by means of remote sensing. The Department of the Interior (DOI) and NASA sponsors the award jointly.

The individual award recognizes achievements in the scientific and technical remote sensing community, as well as contributions leading to successful practical applications of remote sensing. Consideration will be given to sustained career achievements or singular contributions of major importance to the field of remote sensing. The group award recognizes a team, a group of individuals, or part of an organization that has made major breakthroughs in remote sensing science or technology or has developed an innovative application that has a significant impact on the user community or national/international policies.

CRITERIA

Contributions to the understanding of Earth by means of remote sensing.

ELIGIBILITY

Any individual or group (domestic or international) working in the field of remote sensing of Earth is eligible to receive the William T. Pecora Award.

NOMINATIONS DUE

Late April/early May 2010

Contact: Email pecora@usgs.gov

NOMINATION PROCESS

Nominations may be submitted directly by an individual, organization, or professional society. In accordance with NPR 3451.1B, NASA Awards and Recognition Program, send courtesy copies (hardcopy) of all nominations to the GSFC Awards Office (Code 115, Building 1, Room 139) for informational purposes.

EXTERNAL AWARD PROGRAMS

Some additional recognition opportunities are provided below. Due to continual updates of web link information, we encourage you to use the available search engines to contact these sponsoring organizations for the latest award criteria, nomination due dates, and submittal requirements.

Category	Sponsoring Organization	Award Program	Purpose
Science & Engineering	American Astronautical Society	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carl Sagan Memorial Award • John F. Kennedy Astronautics Award • Space Flight Award 	Recognizes meritorious accomplishments to the furtherance of the U.S. Space Program during the previous calendar year. Nominations must be submitted by AAS members or past award recipients.
	American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • F.E. Newbold V/STOL Award • Aerospace Power Systems Award • Mechanics and Control of Flight Award • Space Science Award • Von Braun Award for Excellence in Space Program Management 	Recognizes outstanding achievement, and notable significant contributions in the aerospace field. Nominations must be submitted by an AIAA member.
	Career Communications Group, Inc.	Women of Color Technology Awards	Recognizes outstanding minority women leaders in the fields of math, science, technology, and engineering.
	Council of Engineering Deans of Historically Black Colleges and Universities	Black Engineer of the Year Award	Recognizes outstanding Blacks in science, engineering, and business. There is no limit on the number of nominations an agency may submit. Nominations must be forwarded through the Agency Personnel Policy Branch (Code FPP) prior to submittal to the sponsoring organization.
	Desert Research Institute	Nevada Medal	Recognizes outstanding achievements by scientists and engineers.
	Flight Safety Foundation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Admiral Luis De Florez Flight Safety Award • Aviation Week and Space Tech Distinguished Service Award • Heroism Award • Laura Taber Barbour Air Safety Award 	Recognizes various aspects of aviation safety. There is no limit on the number of nominations an agency may submit.

EXTERNAL AWARD PROGRAMS

Category	Sponsoring Organization	Award Program	Purpose
Science & Engineering (continued)	Hispanic Engineer National Achievement Award Conference	Hispanic Engineer National Achievement Awards	Recognizes achievements of Hispanic engineers, scientists, and technology leaders. There is no limit on the number of nominations an agency may submit. Nominations must be forwarded through the Agency Personnel Policy Branch (Code FPP) prior to submittal to the sponsoring organization.
	Institute of Navigation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hays • Superior Achievement • Thurlow • Weems 	Recognizes individuals making significant contributions or demonstrating outstanding performance relating to navigation. There is no limit on the number of nominations an agency may submit.
	National Aeronautic Association	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elder Statesmen of Aviation Award • Katherine Wright Memorial Award • Wright Brothers Memorial Trophy 	Recognizes various aspects of aviation and aeronautics. NASA policy is to submit only one nomination from the Agency for the Wright Brothers Memorial Trophy.
	National Science Foundation	National Medal of Science	Awarded by the President in special recognition of outstanding contributions to knowledge in physical, biological, mathematical, or engineering sciences.
	National Society of Professional Engineers	Federal Engineer of the Year Award	Recognizes the accomplishments of outstanding individual engineers. NASA may submit one nomination per NASA Center.
	National Space Club	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Astronautics Engineer Award • Nelson P. Jackson Award 	Recognizes and honors individuals and organizations that have contributed to the advancement of rocketry and astronautics.

EXTERNAL AWARD PROGRAMS

Category	Sponsoring Organization	Award Program	Purpose
Science & Engineering (continued)	Rotary National Award for Space Achievement Foundation	National Space Trophy	Recognizes an individual who has made notable achievements in the field of space exploration (human or robotic) during the preceding 10 years. Nominees must be U.S. citizens. NASA policy is to submit only one nomination from the Agency.
	Society of Women Engineers	Society of Women Engineers Awards	Recognizes managerial excellence of women engineers. There is no limit on the number of nominations an agency may submit.
	Space Foundation	James E. Hill Lifetime Space Achievement Award	Recognizes individuals whose personal or professional contributions in the space arena span a minimum of 20 years and whose distinguished lifetime achievement through exploration, development or utilization of space.
	Women in Aerospace (WIA)	Women in Aerospace Awards	Recognizes contributions women have made in the field of aerospace. Final NASA nominations will be forwarded to WIA by the NASA Personnel Director (Code FP).
	Women in Science and Engineering, Inc., Office for University Women	Women in Science and Engineering Awards	Recognizes distinguished women scientists and engineers in the categories of scientific, engineering, and lifetime achievements. Limited to one nomination per agency; must be submitted by the head of the agency.
Non-Discipline Specific	Federal Asian Pacific American Council	Federal Asian-Pacific American Council (FAPAC) Outstanding Achievement Award	Recognizes an individual who has made significant contributions to the advancement of Asian-Pacific Americans and the promotion of equal opportunity in the Federal workforce and the Asian-Pacific American community. Each agency is limited to one nomination.

EXTERNAL AWARD PROGRAMS

Category	Sponsoring Organization	Award Program	Purpose
Non-Discipline Specific (continued)	Government Employees Insurance Company (GEICO)	GEICO Public Service Awards	Recognizes active and retired Federal employees for contributions made to the public good in conjunction with Federal employment or non-work related activities in the community. There is no limit on the number of nominations an agency may submit.
	MIT's Sloan School of Management	Lemelson-Massachusetts Institute of Technology Prize	Recognizes outstanding achievement in invention and innovation in five categories: medicine and health care; energy and environment; computing and telecommunications; consumer goods; and industrial products.
	National Business and Disability Council	National Business and Disability Council Awards of Honor	Recognizes organizations and individuals that exemplify the goal of promoting opportunities for persons with disabilities as employees and consumers.
	U.S. General Services Administration (GSA)	GSA Achievement Award for Real Property Innovation	Recognizes outstanding accomplishments in Best Innovative Policy and Best Innovative Practice.

Eligibility Matrix

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Jan – Jun 2010 Awards Call Eligibility Matrix

Award	Nominee(s)			
	Government	Non-Government	Individual	Groups/Teams
Robert H. Goddard Honor Awards				
Exceptional Achievement Award - Science	✓	✓	✓	✓
Exceptional Achievement Award - Engineering	✓	✓	✓	✓
Exceptional Achievement Award - Technician & Wage Grade	✓	✓	✓	✓
Exceptional Achievement Award - Professional Administrative	✓	✓	✓	✓
Exceptional Achievement Award - Secretarial/Clerical	✓		✓	✓
Exceptional Achievement Award - Mentoring	✓		✓	✓
Exceptional Achievement Award - Diversity and EEO	✓	✓	✓	✓
Exceptional Achievement Award - Outreach	✓	✓	✓	✓
Exceptional Achievement Award - Customer Service	✓	✓	✓	✓
Exceptional Achievement Award - Safety	✓	✓	✓	✓
Exceptional Achievement Award - Quality & Process Improvement	✓	✓	✓	✓
Exceptional Achievement Award - Leadership	✓	✓	✓	
Exceptional Achievement Award - Management	✓		✓	
Robert C. Baumann Award for Mission Success (Honorary)	✓		✓	
Robert H. Goddard Award of Merit (Honorary)	✓		✓	
Colloquium & Memorial Awards				
Excellence in Information Services & Technology (IS&T)	✓		✓	
John C. Lindsay Memorial Award for Space Science	✓		✓	
Moe I. Schneebaum Memorial Award for Engineering	✓		✓	
Agency Sponsored Awards*				
George M. Low Award	POC: Robert.S.Lebair@nasa.gov, 301-286-2542			
NASA Environment & Energy Blue Marble Awards	POC: Darlene.E.Squibb@nasa.gov, 301-286-6137			
NASA Software of the Year Award	POC: Dale.L.Hithon@nasa.gov, 301-286-2691			
Space Flight Awareness Awards	POC: Amy.E.Pruett@nasa.gov, 301-286-7646			
External Award Programs*				
See Call Book for a listing of awards generated by other Government agencies and private industry.				
Submission process: Please carefully review the award submission procedures provided by the sponsoring organization. Some award nominations require review and endorsement only by the Center Director; some require Center Director endorsement as well as NASA Headquarters endorsement; some require submission by a member of the sponsoring organization (e.g. member of the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics); and others may be submitted directly by any NASA employee to the sponsoring organization.				
Note: For external awards, the Center offers a level of support to assist in the strengthening of nominations, even if center endorsements are not required. Please contact the Awards Office to coordinate such efforts.				

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PREVIEW OF NEXT AWARDS CALL

JULY – DECEMBER 2010 AWARDS CALL

- Center Director's Team Recognition Award
- Colloquium and Memorial Awards
- NASA Honor Awards
- Other Agency Sponsored Awards
- External Award Programs

